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| In re Application of: | : | |
| Peter Thir | : | DECISION ON PETITION |
| Serial No.: 10/823,058 | : | TO MAKE SPECIAL |
| Filed: April 13, 2004 | : | |
| Attorney Docket No.: ER 923411794 US | : | |

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c), filed April 13, 2004, to make the above-identified application special.

Petitioner requests that the above-identified application be made special under the accelerated examination procedure set forth in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (M.P.E.P.) § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age.

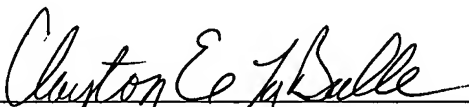
A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102, and in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV, must include evidence showing that the applicant is sixty five (65) years of age or more. No fee is required for this petition.

The petition includes a declaration from the inventor, Peter Thir, stating that the he is sixty-five (65) years of age or more.

Accordingly, the petition is GRANTED.

After allowance, this application will be given priority for printing. See M.P.E.P. § 1309.

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